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U. S. AWAITS MOVE BY EUROPE; WON'T

Will Not Call Economic Conference, as It Did Disarmament Parley.

HAS NO PLAN TO URGE

No Intention of Setting a Program That Might Commit This Country.

By David Lawrence. (Special Correspondent of The Evening World.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 right) .- When the Allied Premier meet in Paris, on Jan. 2, they will in all probability invite the United State Government to help solve the economic situation of Enrope, Poshibly an American diplomatic representative may be summoned to attend the meet-

apparent that the initiative must come from European Governments as responsibility for the execution of its suggestions, nor does it want to be tried to dictate to Europe

of American business men were act with the unofficial sanction the American Government in trying to fix the amount of German indemnity. Mr. Hughes was perturbed today, because some of the press retook his statement as the usua

"diplomatic denial. fixing the sum that Germany can pay has many sponsors here, and business men of prominence are trying to ge this Government and European Governments to assent to it, but the Department of State is not connected with the proposal, either officially or unofficially, any more than it was with J. P. Morgan's visit to Paris last June and the meetings of the International Bankers' Committee. It is an interested onlooker, but not .

promoter of these plans. The truth .s. the United States Government is feeling its way. Thus far it has not done any more than make plain informally to the European Governments that it stands ready to help them with its influence and advice whenever it shall b sought. This in itself is a step forward, because Europe has been clamoring for three years for American help and has pointed to the numbe of invitations which have gone un-

accepted. What America wants Europe to un derstand now is that the United States will sit at the councils of Europe and discuss these matters. The thought of an International Economic Conference still is in the minds of many Governments, but it may be said at this stage of the proceedings that the United States will not call it. There are certain obligations imposed on the host to lay down a program and to set forth what can be done by the nation calling the conference.

An illustration of this was the Naval Armament Conference a year

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SUNDAY WORLD "REAL ESTATE" ADVTS.

100,000 City Employees Saved From Layoff; Craig Finds a Way; City Will Hold Up Big Creditors

TAKE INITIATIVE Comptroller Hero of Estimate Board Debate on Vacation for Municipal Workers to Repay Bank Tax Court Overruled.

> As the Board of Estimate, in solemn secret session, talked today of shutting down city departments to raise \$5,000,000 due before New Year's day, and laying off a good part of 100,000 municipal employees, Comptroller Craig came to the rescue in the last act like the handsome here

Mayor Hylan had lain awake nights! thinking about that \$5,000,000. plamed it on the subsidized press, th Rockefellers, the Gary school system and every other influence, but he could not find a way to raise th money without laying off commisioners right and left and telling 100, 00 employees they could have a vaca tion until Jan. 1, 1923-A. Y. O. E. (at your own expense.)

This \$5,000,000 represents the 192 part of the \$20,000,000 which must be ractored to national banks by the city The money was collected from th lvinks as a tax and the Court of Appeals has decided that the law under which the money was collected is unconstitutional.

Every mental power house in the Estimate Board had functioned at its highest pressure during to-day's secret session, but not a spark of relief for the 100,000 city employees came forth. Mayor Hylan sat with bowed head at the thought of David Hirshfield and others being docked several days' pay jus because of the mere constitutionality of a law. "Isn't it simply awful?" asked

Mayor Hylan, in a voice that penes trated even the locked mahogany "Let me think!" said Comptrolle

emaining members. "We're all in." 'The Comptroller's solution was this There are many bid creditors of the city. Their bills, due between now and Jan. 1, must be held up for the deficit for this year is \$5,000,000. The plan to have a commission of it will be necessary to raise only about American business men co-operate in \$2,000,000 between now and Jan. 1 under the Craig scheme, in order give city employees from an enforced vacation. The beginning of the new year would find new sources of rev-

> It was made clear that the city I in no way responsible for the \$20,000, 000 deficit, which is due solely to the unconstitutionality of a law which was thought to be constitutional. "We don't want to create any im-

pression that we found money that lidn't heretofore exist," said the Comptroller. "To carry on the city's activities without laying off the police and other city employees, whom w have a right to suspend, the city transferred funds from which people who have claims against the city are

In open session following the executive meeting, Mayor Hylan said the city officials had gravely considered the possibility of suspending operaon in all city departments and the laying off of employees for three or our days at the end of this year. "If this had been done," Mayo

Hylan stated, "the City Administraion would have ceased for three o four days in order to make up the "While we were debating what

ould be done," continued the Mayor, 'Comptroller Craig came to our rescue and found sufficient funds to tide us over into the next year. But we don't know what we're going to d next year unless some legislation is

inacted to relieve us. "The result of this tax decision is that close to \$10,000,000 will have to go into the 1924 budget to take care o he deficit. The taxpayers will have

o pay that." The Comptroller explained tha \$10,000,000 already collected from the banks for 1920 and 1921 would have o be refunded, while \$10,000,000 anticipated in the 1923 budget would have to be otherwise met.

"The banks won't pay this money," enald Craig. "Most likely it will comout of the taxpayers' pockets."

HOME OF OFFICIAL OF FREE STATE BOMBED

Then Set on Fire and Destroyed

MATINEE BURGLAR

FIRST NIGHT JOB Lou Tellegen Among 200 Victims Whose Losses to

Capture Adonis Reach

\$200,000.

OF STARS TRIPS IN

Thomas F. Belford, twenty-three and something of an Adonis, who, as the matines gentleman burglar," had ifled nearly 100 apartments of promnent actors and actresses, particularly motion picture stars, according to the police, went out of his class last night and, as a result, was caught in his

first night burgiary. To-da yBelford was held without oail in West Side Court on a charge burglary and immediately afterward set out with Detective Lieut. Patrick J. Chrley and Detective Serg. Edward Fitzgerald of the West 100th Street Station, to point out places he claims to have burglarized in he past few months. In a short twenty of these were listed, and ne told the detectives that his total cot would amount to about \$200,000 Belford also told police that he disposed of, most of his stuff at two

Owners of these will be arrested this afternoon after they are identified by the prisoner, the detecives said. Relford told the police that he specialized on actresses and motion picure stars because of their careless-

ness in leaving jewelry and valuables lying around so that any one could pick them up. He said he got thousands of dollars worth of trinkets in his manner. Most of his activities, he told police were confined to studio apartments

on the west side between 42d and 59th Streets, and in the cast side, between 24th and 86th Streets. Among the places Belford has adnitted he burglarized were the apartments of Nita Naldi, motion picture

star, No. 48 East 61st Street, where he took \$5,000 worth of jewelry, and that of Lou Tellegen, former husband of Geraldine Farrar, No. 18 East 57th He remembered that he had robbed nomes at No. 25 West 50th Street, No. 31 West 50th Street, an apartment in 49th Street, between Madison and Fifth Avenues, and another at 86th Street and Park Avenue. Belford's method of working, ac-

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NO SHORTAGE OF COAL DURING NEXT 10 DAYS, POOR PEOPLE ARE TOLD

District Fuel Administrator Prom ises 22,000 Tons Coming to Swell "Peddlers' Pool."

District Fuel Administrator Arthur S Learnyd to-day stated there need be reapprehension on the part of the poor that there would not be coal in the city for the next ten days. After a conference with the shippers at the coal are now on the way to this city for what is known as the peddlers' pool. This cost will go to the forty-nine stations established where coal is sold in 100 and 200 pound lots. It is chestnu-

Was Not Occupied.

DUBLIN, Dec. 22.—The home of Patrick Sheehan, Under-Secretary in the Home Office, was destroyed by bombs and incendary fires during the hoped to have the situation where at \$25. Our Special Prices for to-day and the relieved but at present it was a property of the pr

BIG OFFICIALS WHO

Says He Has List and Will Reveal It to Congress at Proper Time.

WHITE HOUSE IS DRY

Other Public Buildings at Capital Busy Marts for Droves of Bootleggers.

ntative Upshaw, Georgia, to-day reatened to name State and Federa fficials who, according to his infor ation, are violating the Prohibition aw, by patronizing bootleggers.

The Congressman recently startled Washington by claiming that large numbers of public officials get liquor, while a lot of "poor devils" can't. He called on all public officials to take an oath to abstain from violating the law, and to-day, just before leaving for his home in Georgia, warned that he intended to force them to do it,

"I am not through with them yet, not by a long shot." Upshaw said. Verdict Against Relatives "Of course, it would be foolish for me to publish at the moment the in say that I am not going to back down one inch. I am ready to stand squarely behind my statements."

"As a matter of fact, the news he Hill of Maryland, that wettest of the wets, is preparing to call upon me on the floor of the House to producnames and dates.

after the holidays, I will be ready for sisters, has o call my hand. I fought the liquor surse when it was recognized and respected by law, and now that it has been officially stamped in its true light. I most certainly am not going o back down.

"Too many of these officials ar striking a grandiose posture and calling upon the people with tears in their eyes to respect and honor the laws of our Nation, and then going out the back way and buying blindtiger, bootleg liquor for their personal consumption. Is the law of our land to be so twisted as to make this a rich wealthy and the office-holder to shield his hip pocket with ready cash, a pious hand and an oily tongue."

Just before leaving Washington Representative Upshaw addressed a letter to President Harding urging th issuance of a Christmas proclamation calling upon the people-especially the officials-to observe total abstinence for the common good.

"I was very glad," Representative Hill of Maryland said, "that Mr. Upshaw made the wholesale charges Street, where he got jewelry and a of violating the Volstead act against saxaphone valued at a similar amount. members of Congress, members of the Cabinet and Senators and all others in authority. On an appro priate occasion I intend on the floor c ask him to produce from the Prowhich to back up his charges."

BERLIN ISSUES DENIAL OF REPARATIONS STORY

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (Associated Press) -It was officially denied here to-day that Chancellor Cuno or any other Government official had suggested the appointment of an American Commisdon to investigate Germany's economic

BIG BLOW COMING NORTH ALONG JERSEY COAST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 .- A storm unusual intensity now centered off Cape Hatteras will sweep the Middle Atlantic and New England coasts, the Hatteras. The storm is expected to strike the New Jersey and the New England coasts late to-night. Storm warnings were ordered displayed to-day from the Virginia Capes to At-lantic City.

William H. Woodin, State Fuel The HUB CLOTHING CORNER, Broadway

UPSHAW WILL NAME Artist's Daughter, Smoking Cigaret Near Window, Starts Fire in Home Near Fifth Avenue

BUY ILLICIT BOOZE Curtain Ignites as Miss Ann Frazier Puffs-Alarm Sent In But She And Maid Extinguish Blaze and Escape Injury.

> Frazier was smoking a cigaret this afternoon in front of a fifth story window at her home, No. 57 West 58th Street, when a puff of reeze whirled the lace curtain against her, and almost instantly there

After losing a few seconds in a vain effort to put it out she tore the curtain down, but not until the woodwork above had caught fire. The curfalling over an upholstered chair, set fire to that, and smoke was pouring from the window. It was oberved from the street and an alarm

bucket of water and mop and fough frantically for several minutes, with the result that the fire was out by the ne the apparatus arrived. Miss Fra gler is a daughter of Kenneth Frazier, the artist. She was affected

CABARET GUESTS

Fought Spinster's Huge Bequests to Charity.

three hours the jury which has been hearing evidence in the contest of ing of her \$3,000,000 estate.

The contest, instituted by a "When I come back to Washington East Orange, N. J., and his three Surrogate James A. Foley and special jury for six weeks.

Edmund L. Mooney, counsel for the contestants, attempted to prove through a host of friends, relative and acquaintances of the aged spin sters that she was of unsound mind when she executed her will shortly before her death in 1921, when she was ninety-one years old. Henry L. Stimson, counsel for the executors, produced fully as many intimates of the decedent who testified they never noted any actions on her part to show that she was anything but wholly rational and in complete command of

all her faculties. One witness, a cousin and compan ion, testified that Miss Southmayd had expressed love and affection for her pastor, Bishop Charles L. Slattery, former rector of Grace Church, and had a delusion that the minister was going to marry her. This witness also testified that Miss Southmayd said "she couldn't help it if mer

fall in love with me." Miss Southmayd left the bulk o her estate to religious and charitable institutions, while the contesting relatives received only minor bequests and small gifts of personal effects and

family heirlooms. The sum of \$100,000 was bequeathed o each of the rectors and warden: alhition Department the evidence with of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church o Roosevelt Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital, the Society of New York Hos-pital and the Children's Aid Society. 'o six other institutions she left gifts \$50,000 each and bequeathed \$25, 99 to each of thirteen additional char-

> She laft her residuary estate, es imated at\$1.500,000 to be distributed equally among Grace Church, the Children's Aid Society, Roosevelt Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital and the Society of New York Hospital.

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SEIZED IN DRIVE

Yellowley Carries Out Edic Against Public Drinkers as Policeman Looks On.

Prohibition agents early to-day Street and Seventh Avenue, arrested seven alleged dry law violators and seized a small quantity of liquor policeman, stationed in the while a place to watch for liquor violations, looked on

The raiders arrested two guests for drinking liquor, two others for interfering with arrests, two en ployes, and one of the owners.

The prisoners, who were taken the 30th Street Station for detention overnight, said they were Edgar Berheim, No. 61 Broadway; Robert Hartman, No. 3 West 129th Street; Arthur Sachs, No. 133 Lenox Avenue, one of the owners; Julius Green, No. 141 Nagle Avenue, the manager; Eakirno Tegno, No. 415 West 45th Street, a waiter: Thomas H. Watson, No. 47 West 42d Street, and Harry McKay, No. 258 West 55th Street, the door-

These are the first arrests to follow the recent edict of Acting State Prohibition Director Yellowley that all persons found drinking in public places would be arrested. A short time ago a conference was held bepolice authorities in which co-operation between them was promised in upholding the Prohibition law. The visit to the Tent Cabaret was made over the heads of the police.

When the agents arrived the doorman, McKay, is alleged to have tried to delay them and prevent their

(Continued on Sixth Page.) RECEIVER AND COUNSEL GET \$100,000 PAYMENT

Service to Richmond Light & Rail way Co. Cited by Court.

It was learned to-day that Peders Judge Edwin L. Garvin on Nov. 21, last, signed an order for \$100,000 for John J. Kuhn of Great Neck, as receiver for the Richmond Light and Railroad Com-

The order indicates that the mon a a "partial payment for the services of Mr. Kuhn as receiver and of L. I Deland as attorney for the receiver. similar order, but for only \$50,000, was given on Dec. 25, 1921. Mr. Kuhn wa appointed receiver on April 28, 1920.

COURTS QUIT, FEARING TO SPOIL CHRISTMAS FOR RENT LITIGANTS

Justice Morris, looking over the litigants gathered in the Trial Term of the Municipal Court in the Bronx this afternoon, noted the glowering and anxious faces of a score of landlords and tenants and ordered Clerk Thomas Kiernan to stop calling the calendar. "This court stands adjourned

until after the holidays. Any decision I make to-day might spell semelody's Christmas.

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF O'HARA. 12 OTHERS HURT AS WALL FALLS IN BROOKLYN BLAZE

Veteran Taken Unconscious From Debris-Over Fifty Overcome by Smoke-Streets in Darkness as Four-Alarm Blaze Sweeps Williamsburg Section.

Deputy Chief John O'Hara was on the sidewalk in front of the burning Auto Baby Carriage Company's factory at Nos. 189-195 Harrison Avenue, Williamsburg, at 4 o'clock this morning. He was ordering ald for the men who were on the roof pouring atreams into surrounding frame tenements to which the flames had spread.

Incendiary Believed Respon sible for Burning of Beautiful Structure With Relics.

stroyed the Church of Notre Dame de la Recouvrance here early to-day. It most artistic church buildings in Canada and the interior had been renewed recently at a cost of \$90,000. The loss was said to be covered by insurance. For a time many of the city's finest tenac, were in danger.

The rectory, adjoining the church, was destroyed. The Seminary build ings were threatened when the fire was at its height and the students were ordered out. The flames leaped the narrow street separating the church buildings from the business section of old Ouebac, and caused slight damage to the offices of the Telegraph and the Chronicle, the English newspapers.

A messenger boy turned in the alarm when he saw smoke issuing from the edifice. Firemen were un bie for a time to find the seat of the blaze, so dense was the smoke inside the building. Later it was found the flames had started between the celling and the roof Heroic efforts made to save the sacred vessels were unuccessful.

The fire was believed to have been acendiary. The Chief of Provincial Detectives received a threatening let ter several days ago saying the church would be burned Dec. 28.

The church, known as the French Basilica, was situated on the opposit side of the square from the former site of the Jesuits College, and was first established in 1647. The first mass was said on Christmas Day in 1650, but it was not until 1666 tha he church was consecrated by the first Bishop of Quebec, Monsigner D Laval. It underwent a restoration i 1745 and since that date had been iltered and renewed a number of times.

Among the trasures destroye were the religious garments of the clergy, said to be the most beautiful on the American continent, a painting of Christ by Van Dyke and a painting of St. Paul by Carlo Maratta. The religious vestments were donated to it was the seat of the only Cardinal n Canada. It was homburded in 1759 by the British under Wolfe About \$00 persons were buried in the

CHRISTMAS RELEASE FOR IRISH REPUBLICANS WHO SIGN ALLEGIANCE

arge Number in Mountjoy Prison Accept Free State-No Holt-day for Others.

DUBLIN, Dec. 32 (Associated Press) -A large number of the Irish Republicans held prisoner in Mountjoy Prison will, it is un derstood, he released at Christmas, having signed a declaration of allegiance to the Proc State. the remainder ne builday

There was a shout of warning from other firemen and the frightened persons who were being herded back to safety. O'Hara looked up. The wall was bulging out over him. He isaped to a window opening, quick as a cat, instinctively seeking the protection of the arch and estimating that even though the whole wall fell

would pass over him. The window frame splintered under the pressure and collapsed, pinning the Deputy Chief to the ledge. At the same time the roof, sagging down without support, became a chute through which the firemen on the roof were tumbled headlong into the

street. Assistant Chief Joseph B. who had arrived in answer to a fourth nlarm in time to see O'Hara knocked down, went into the wreck with two police and brought him out. O'Hara

was unconscious. Five of the tenements in the block were partly burned and made untenoutable by water. For the time being over 1,000 persons were driven from sheltered in Williamsburg fire houses and police stations.

Besides Deputy Chief O'Hara, 12 other firemen were taken to hospitals. Chief O'Hara was quite seriously injured. His spine was injured; hts face was deeply cut and he was so bruised all over his body that he is believed to have concealed injuries which will be explored by the X-ray. Peter Scanlon of Eng.ne No. 211 was even worse injured than O'Hara. At first thought by the surgeons to have suffered a slight concussion of

small chance for life. His left wrist and left ankle are broken. Lieut. John Fitzsimmons had his right arm dislocated and he was badly bruised. Others in St. Catharine's Hospital-where they are rest-

the brain, it was learned later that his

skull was fractured and that he has

ng easily-are: Charles Markey, Engine No. 211, bruises of the neck, back sprained William Adams, Engine No. 311,

eft thigh believed broken. In Beth Moses Hospital are: Capt. Henry E. Sullivan, Truck No. 92, bruises of face, hip dislocated Oliver G. Dempsey, Truck No. 105, ack sprained.

Edwin C. Cronin, Truck No. 2, cuts and bruises of face and body. Arthur Hinderer, Truck No. 102, right wrist and shoulder sprained. John Vlanka, Truck No. 162, scalp

ut and hip injuries. Herman Schmidt, Truck No. 102. was able to leave the hospital after his uts had been treated.

At Cumberland Street Hospital are: Capt. John Westrick of Engine No. 211, back injured and severe body

Joseph Le Grange, one rib on right side broken. Dr. Joseph E. Smith, chief medical officer of the Fire Department, visited Deputy Chief O'Hara's bedside at 9 o'clock with Mrs. O'Hars and assured

her he would recover. Firemen searched for an hour for three men of Engine No. 211, who were reported missing, and announced

hey had all been accounted for. All the available ambulances and police reserves in the Eastern District ection were summoned to the scene. The great menace of the flames was that every building in the square block s of frame construction and fifty or sixty years old.

Policeman Daniel Mills of the Clymer Street Station discovered the fire mding in an alarm the flames had